

From: [Wenke Taule](#)
To: [Gowers, Joe](#)
Subject: Re: Good Shepherd Soil
Date: Friday, June 19, 2020 5:44:38 PM

Thanks. I remember there being a special test needed to detect 1,4dioxane and if I'm reading this report correctly, it seems it was not used in this testing regime. Am I correct?

> On Jun 19, 2020, at 3:35 PM, Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov> wrote:

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> Wenke - As you requested, I am providing the sampling data done by the Borough for the well at the Church of the Good Shepherd located at 80 Margaret King Avenue in Ringwood. The Borough conducted the sampling on its own and provided EPA with a copy of the data. EPA does not deem the Church to be a part of the Ringwood Mines/Landfill Superfund Site and EPA will not be relying on this data for Site decisions. Furthermore, as per the Borough, the Church is now connected to the municipal water supply for its water needs.

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> Joe

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Wenke Taule [REDACTED]

> Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 3:35 PM

> To: Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov>

> Subject: Re: Good Shepherd Soil

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> Too bad, but understand. What if there was paint sludge there?

>> On Jun 17, 2020, at 11:34 AM, Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov> wrote:

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>> Wenke - EPA conducted a visual survey (looked for evidence of paint sludge disposal) and some very limited sampling in areas across the street from the site which were owned by the Ford Motor Co. at the time that Ford was using the Upper Ringwood Area for waste disposal. There currently is no reason to believe that the Church property was utilized by Ford for waste disposal, or received Ford waste as fill. I can only require investigations related to defining the nature and extent of contamination at the site.

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>> From: Wenke Taule [REDACTED]
>> Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:25 AM
>> To: Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov>
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>> Yes, but there were areas tested across Margaret King. Would the EPA consider testing, since contamination has been found and it could be from fill taken from the Site, which happened a lot.

>>> On Jun 17, 2020, at 10:20 AM, Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov> wrote:

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>>> I am not aware of the soil being tested by EPA in the past, given that the Church is well outside of the area utilized by Ford for disposal. Keep in mind that the unpaved parking lot was likely utilized prior to the ban of leaded gasoline. I wouldn't be surprised to see elevated levels of lead in the parking lot soil due to its pre-1980 use.

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>>> Joe

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>>> From: Wenke Taule [REDACTED]
>>> Sent: Wednesday, June 17, 2020 10:09 AM
>>> To: Gowers, Joe <Gowers.Joe@epa.gov>
>>> Cc: Seppi, Pat <Seppi.Pat@epa.gov>
>>> Subject: Good Shepherd Soil

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>>> Joe,

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>>> Sorry to keep emailing you, but I'm getting information in drips.

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>>> Has the soil been tested at the Good Shepherd, if not, shouldn't it be? The Boro is planning to pave over the lot.

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>>> Wenke

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> <Church FINAL Results Letter.pdf>